

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3663  
Docket No.: 1448.1057**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Norifumi SHUKUNAMI, et al.

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For: OPTICAL AMPLIFIER AND CONTROL METHOD FOR OPTICAL AMPLIFIER

**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 18, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on January 18, 2008.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.